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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please **REPLACE** claims 1-2 and **ADD** new claims 3 and 4 in accordance with the following:

*sub 1*

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A resin bonded rare earth magnet, compression molded from a rare earth-transition metal alloy powder and a thermosetting resin, comprising:

a magnet body comprising a mixture of the thermosetting resin and the rare earth-transition metal alloy powder with a particle size of between 20 and 300 microns;

*B2* a filling material with a particle size between 0.1 and 15 microns used to fill in depressions on a surface of said magnet and fixed with said thermosetting resin; and

a corrosion inhibiting coat made from a synthetic resin applied to the surface of said magnet which has been rendered smooth by the application of said filling material into the depressions on the surface thereof.

2. (ONCE AMENDED) A resin bonded rare earth magnet according to Claim 1, wherein the corrosion inhibiting coat made from synthetic resin applied to the surface of said magnet has a thickness of between 1 and 30 microns.

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3. (NEW) A resin bonded rare earth magnet, comprising:

a magnet body;

a filling material to fill in depressions on the magnet body; and

a synthetic resin coat applied to an outer surface of said magnet body.